

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention. It is believed that the objections pursuant to 35 U.S.C. Section 112 are obviated thereby.

The specification has been amended to reference the subject matter of claim 1 and claim 13. That is, page 18 of the specification has been amended to reference the construction of claim 1 as amended and Figure 12 of the application has been amended to include the location of a tear line 273 for portions of the first flange. The tear line is associated with part of the first flange, the remainder of the first flange and the second flange otherwise not being torn from the lid construction. A minor correction has been effected at page 14 of the specification.

Claim 1 is the single independent claim that has been retained. It has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 13 which the Examiner indicated was allowable if the claims were appropriately amended.

It is further suggested that no new matter has been added inasmuch as the specification and drawing clearly disclose the zigzag pattern and original claim 13 incorporates the subject matter of the invention; namely, the inclusion of a zigzag tear strip associated with all of one and part of another flanges that retains the lid on the bucket. Claim 13 clearly sets forth that subject matter and the drawing and specification clearly now exemplify that claimed subject matter. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

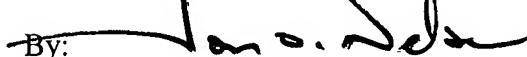
In view of the foregoing, therefore, it is believed that the claims are in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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